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cleaned up the field and put on the roll public Treasury for whatever schemes all of the surviving veterans entitled to they may be promoting. This is the the benefits of the pension law.

the dangerous period in married life is to get that prominence in the House from the fifth to the 10th year.

Many people in Arkansas charitably believe that Senator Jeff Davis was merely lying, as usual, about that big

Arkansas is rapidly coming to the front in the production of rice. Four ing the blame upon the Speaker. It is could, hence this letter. years ago not a grain of rice was raised so easy for every glib talker to excuse in the State. Last year more than his own shortcomings and failings, his 2,000,000 bushels were produced.

### NO FEVER AT ST. CLOUD.

The strong rivalry of the real-estate temptation. Of course, all the Demospeculators who are trying to divert the crats abuse the Speaker and the rules colonists from St. Cloud knows no limits of the House, as they always have done, of truth or justice. The most malignant and shallow and weak-kneed Republiand false exhibitions of this are by cans join in the clamor for the sake of agents who are stationed at Jackson- yelling with the crowd. The sober sense ville and other intermediate points attempting to divert intending settlers by ing this and estimating Speaker Canstories that there is typhold fever in non's assailants at their true worth. the colony. This is absolutely untrue, They have made the Speaker a bugaboo as can be easily demonstrated by the evidence of the State health officials the "Crime of '73" a bogy to carry the and the number of veteran physicians unthinking off their feet. The reaction who are residents of St. Cloud. These is coming as it did from the silver all testify in the most positive manner craze, and Speaker Cannon will emerge that there has never been but one case triumphant from the ordeal. of typhoid fever in the colony, and that came from some other place. Precautions were at once taken to prevent any spread of the disease, and these have been effectual. The State health off | of Zalmon G. Simmons, of Kenosha, solutely that there is no typhoid or oth- est and contributed more liberally of er fever in the settlement and no pre- his means to the comrades than any monitions of such an affliction. The other civilian in the country. Mr. Simlocation is one of the healthiest in the mons was one of the leading citizens of War Veterans, Washington, D. C." United States, and it will always remain Kenosha, Wis., where he had lived 60 so. Visitors to St. Cloud should be on years, and had done more for the uptheir guard against these sharpers, who building of the town than any other do not hesitate to lie in hopes of secur- man in it. He began his business life ing their ends, that of switching off settlers to their particular real estate proj- store, was unusually successful, then

# CONSOLIDATION OF PENSION

AGENCIES. The National Tribune has from the first been emphatically opposed to the proposed consolidation of the pension that such a movement would be injurious to the best interests of the comrades in every part of the country by imposing endless and vexatious delays upon the comrades and their widows in the receipt of their pensions. A bill to consolidate the pension agencies has passed the House and is now before the Senate, which is said to be opposed to it, and will not pass the bill, as it has refused to do two or three times. The veterans of Ohio are particularly aroused on this subject, as the pension always been highly satisfactory and to ble to them. They are threatening to take this matter up at the polls, and make a great deal of trouble for the Representatives who voted for the consolidation. As there are between 50,000 and 69,000 veterans in Ohio and each of them influences several votes, their opposition is formidable and should be regarded. The Department of Ohio is on record against the proposition, and the Commander has made his protest to the Senate against the bill.

thruout the State,

Originals ...... 2,115 Restorations ..... 9

Renewals ..... 40

By death ...... 4,186
By remarriage ...... 58
By legal limitation .... 88

From other causes.... 15

Number of pensioners

ruary .....

Total ...... 578,067 Losses to roll—

By failure to claim....

The consolidation will not be in the interest of the public in any way, since month of February, 1910: the work of issuing pension certificates can be done much better, much more Number of pensioners Jan. 31, expeditiously and much more cheaply in the several agencies than it can from Washington. So great an instrumentallty as the pension system should be brought into the closest touch with its beneficiaries, where they can have their allowances made to them with the least | Losses to rolldelay, with the utmost certainty and the promptest correction of mistakes, which are almost inevitable in so large a business. The mere act of consolidation will throw the pension system into confusion for months and seriously in terfere with the work of the Bureau. sands, who might possibly be dead before the matter can be satisfactorily re arranged. As we cannot see any possible gain to the Government for this consolidation and see where it would work inconvenience and hardship, as well as increase the expense of the maintenance of the pension system, we

are unalterably opposed to it.

### "To care for him who has borne the WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH CAN- THE UNITED STATES UNIFORM IN NON?

Sensible people all over the country are now fully recognizing, if they have not before, the bugaboo a lot of cheap touts have made of Speaker Cannon. various parts of the country of men in stronger with the country than ever. cult role to play than any presiding officer of the House of Representatives for many years. The condition of the Treasury is low, the Government's revenues have fallen to an alarming extent, and while we all hope that the Treasury will soon become satisfactorily plethoric again, the finances of the Gov- form of the United States should reernment must be in the meanwhile adminstered with the most rigid economy Economy is always disagreeable, whether practiced by an individual, a community or a Nation. It has to be practiced all the same at certain times, no matter how unpleasant it may be. The responsibility for this economy is with the House of Representatives, and it is one that cannot be shirked. On the WASHINGTON, D. C., MAR. 24, 1910. other hand, the country is growing rapidly, and demands for expenditures are great and pressing, the needs for these expenditures are set out with the greatest force, and have behind them strong bodies of our citizens. The disagree able duty of standing between these de mands and the undeniable condition of the Treasury centers at last upon the Speaker, who is the executive of the House of Representatives and the expo-During February the pension roll lost nent of its will. Speaker Cannon has by death 4,186. This would be at the performed this high public duty with rate of 54,418 a year. It gained during courage, firmness and discretion, Therethe month 289 veterans, which shows fore, the antagonism to him of all who how closely Commissioner Warner are clamorous for large drafts from the

most natural thing in the world. Then, every loud-mouthed shricker who fails ets. English divorce statisticians find that to get attention for some pet project or hensible enough, but when it is considthat he thinks he deserves becomes an opponent to the Speaker. Every man in blue is all the more flagrant. who is not able to carry out the exuberant promises that he made to his constituents during his campaign goes back

of the country is now fully understand-

his representative in ejecting 'the boys "As a Ioyal American woman I cannot let the incident go by unnoticed, and as a member of Dewey Auxiliary, 3. generous to the civil war veterans, their United Spanish-American War Veter- orphans and their bona-fide widows." ans. I took an oath to uphold the dighome to rail against Cannon and excuse nity of the Flag and of my country and himself for his nonperformance by lay-

ered that Mr. Chase is occupying Gov-

THEATERS.

the Secretary of the Navy

great indignity

shown the door.

ommendable.

"Washington, D. C., March 7, 1910.

oned officers of marines, one

to aid all comrades in whatever way I "I am informed that there are nunerous instances where enlisted men filed charges against theater managers, lack of ability and his shortage in legislative wisdom by blaming the head of nesses the cases were decided against

the House, that he cannot resist the them. "I wish to go on record in all that I witnesses to the unfortunate occurrence.

"When on their world-wide tour reupon in the Far West, but it remains for insult and indignities to be heaped

had tickets which were for the first precisely as a few years ago they made permit no enlisted men in uniform to old man for the sake of his pension.
occupy a seat on that floor, but that It is now 20 years since the limit they could be accommodated on the

action as will be fitting in the premises

the Nation, and it has aroused, as it should, hot indignation among all our there in 1843 as a clerk in a general citizens. Investigation shows that the five men who were denied admission went into railroad building and achieved his first great success in the construction of the Kenosha, Rockford & Rock Island Railway, taking the enpeople in the land. The only possible terprise when it was bankrupt and carobjection to them was their uniform. the Union. rying it thru to success. The first train This was neat, well fitting and in apran over the road the day of the lattle pearance would compare favorably with of Bull Run. He next built telegraph the clothes of the best-dressed men and lines, and became President of the Comwomen in the theater. Inquiry was at pany, and in 1891 built the cog road up Pike's Peak. He took a great interest in building up the manufactories of Kenosha, and was President or Director of several great concerns, President of the First National Bank, and interested in other enterprises. As Mayor these afford no redress, and the prohe managed the finances of Kenosha very successfully, and in every way was a leader in all that made for his city's which prohibits the admission of enadvancement. He took the deepest in terest in the veterans. When the troops in any place of amusement. This exwere being raised he expended large planation only aggravates the outrage. amounts of money in fitting them out The United States uniform should be and providing them with comforts, and he kept up similar lavish expenditures and women gather together for any as long as he fived. Every year for many years he had given a big reception to the members of the Grand Army in Wisconsin and northern Illinois. At the Denver Encampment he presented youth, their strength and their lives to this he was made an honorary member the great works which we all want to of the Grand Army. His death brought see properly performed. We honor the deepest mourning to Kenosha and them for their bravery and fortitude in meeting whatever may come to an American soldier or sallor, and we can CHANGES IN THE PENSION ROLL. show them this honor in no better way Thei following statement shows the than by gladly accepting them as comchanges in the pension roll for the panions in all that the rest of us do and enjoy. No matter what rules and regulations these purveyors of public amuse-1919 ...... 933,406 ments may make for themselves, it is irritating that these should stand in the way of the great public sentiment of admiration and affection for the men 2,164 who are upholding the dignity of the Flag. Total ..... 935,570

As usual, there is a rush to Congress is something, however, that should be the New York papers: beyond law. It should be in the hearts or woman—because women are as much of the people, and any man who dares addicted to this vice as men—who apoffer such an insult is a proper subject pland violently in restaurants whenever Dixie' is played. Wherever a few umber of pensioners
Feb. 28, 1910...... 931,212 for boycott, and every man who loves
ecrease ....... 2,194 the Flag and loves the services which
of civil war invalids

The 12: devote themselves to maintaining its grandeur. The men attempt to borrow honor should make it a principle to abstain from patronizing any man who is the grounds that both have come from the South. As a matter of fact, no mustered out June 9, 1865, and the re-paper printed in the United States. He says he is 83 years young. He has noted cency as to cast a slur upon the uni-form which has brought glory and ex-3,114 there be such a wave of public indigna- altogether." tion as will make these insolent amusevalids Feb. 28, 1910.. 574,953 ment purveyors scurry to cover and beg Decrease ..... 2,825 for quarter.

## WIDOWS' PENSIONS.

schement, forceful patriotism in history Everyone with a particle of patriotthan the support which Pennsylvania Westerner. ism in his composition has blushed with gave during the war to save the Union. indignation to hear the reports from in, and it will result in making Cannon of amusement on account of their unithe harmony of the magnificent chorus Speaker Cannon has had a more diffi- dignation has been the thought that named Patriot of Harrisburg, which ports, where there might have been unusual conditions. Everyone is now startled to learn of a similar occurrence great principle of freedom of the press, pant voice of Comrade James O'Donin the Capital of the United States, where of all places on earth the uniceive especial honor. The circumstances are well set forth in the following vigorous protest which has been made to descence in an editorial recently on the nial, a man of strong convictions and

> The Honorable the Secretary of the Sir: I desire to call your attention to hey were married to the veterans which I witnessed

aped upon five boys in the uniform 1890, is a wise one. of their country, who, upon presenta-tion of tickets at Chase's Theater on Chursday night last (3d instant), were the same time save foolish veterans ment and the National Encampments.

Their tickets were from the wiles of designing women, He was elected Junior Vice Commanddenied admission. Their tickets were denied admission. Their tickets were taken up by Mr Chase's representative, taken up by Mr Chase's representative, taken up by Mr Chase's representative, to marry them in the expectation of pensions when the old men had answered the last roll call. The law try in that position. Comrade O'Dontry in that position. entative of Mr. Chase were has worked no hardships, for every wo- try in that position. Comrade O'Don-The tirst insult was offered to three its passage had fair warning that she had hosts of friends outside the Order. sailors, to which ship attached I can-soilors, to which ship attached I can-not say, and the second was to two non-her husband's death.

a Sergeant and the other, I think, was law and put upon the pension rolls the Columbus and Ancient Order of United the names of some 20,000 widows which do Workmen. The funeral was held Thurs-"In both instances the men were in manner objectionable, save as to the long there under present laws. If the repealer is enacted it will at once day, Feb. 17, at the Church of Our Lady act that they were in the uniform of

their respective services; and to their great credit, be it said, they bore their mortification with a stoicism that was by the Senate Committee on Pensions, but Senator Root, of New York, has They walked thru the lobby on their given notice that he will oppose it, and

in to the performance as persons he is right. "The law which makes no distinction anticipating pleasure, but their exit was as that of persons caught picking pock- as to pensions between a woman wid-The acts of expulsion were tepre- owed by the war and one who married with admiration and affection Gen. Corps. veteran after the war, provided the marriage took place not more than 25 ernment land and building the act of years after the war ended, is certainly his representative in ejecting 'the boys' sufficiently generous.

be just to the taxpayers while it is, has his home in Nashville, Tenn.: "Please been, and, we trust, always will be, nut me down for John McElroy for

The plea that the law as it stands at present protects veterans from designing women has been so thoroly discussed and sifted that it is hardly worth while discussing it again. Where there but as they had no disinterested wit- has been one unworthy woman who has taken advantage of some poor old soldier there have been tens of thousands have stated herein, and at your call I of the noblest women in the country flowers were strewn for them to walk latter with all of a mother's care, and of his community that there is unanicently the enlisted men were feted and his young children, bringing up the in all things being the truest of Ameriipon them here in the Capital of the can wives and mothers. It is a gross slander on American womanhood to say "I am told that the men referred to that any considerable number of girls An Ohio Veteran Who Has Been Greatfloor, and that the management would are willing to sacrifice themselves to an

tion was put upon marriages of veter- and as requested I apprise you of the first and second balcony. The natural ans, and in those 20 years very many fact. Have been here but five weeks

by any sense of regard for the United came here, Feb. 3, all I could eat was were all decent, self-respecting boys, well dressed in the uniform of their country and worthy to sit beside any people in the land. The only possible ed with them who fought for and saved New I cat anything three times a day,

#### THE ANDERSONVILLE PRISON PARK.

The bill to transfer the Andersonville tions or the municipal laws could not be invoked to repair the current of the courses of the courses of the current of the cur justice to the insulted men and uniform mittee of the G. A. R. and W. R. C., the transfer. An opinion has been renprietor pleads that he was acting in dered by the Judge-Advocate-General obedience to the general theatrical law, of the Grand Army of the Republic that this transfer cannot be made by the listed men in uniform to the better scats officers and committee of the W. R. C., but will have to be done by the full Convention, consequently the transfer cannot take place until the National relcomed and honored wherever men Convention has acted upon it at its meeting at Atlantic City in September. purpose. The men who are in the ser- Past Commanders-in-Chief Nevius, vice of their country, no matter in what Brown and Warner and Past National much pleasure to acknowledge the recapacity, are entitled to the highest recapacity, are entitled to the highest re- Presidents Kate E. Jones and Kate B. capacity, are entitled to the highest respect for their devotion to public interests and for their consecration of their youth, their strength and their lives to

so lost to all sense of propriety and de- professional Southerner ever amounted altation to the name of America. Let pretended to belong, and in many cases was from another part of the country

District Attorney Wise writes: fool. He is a person who seizes any itor National Tribune,

### public occasion to air the fact that he There is no finer exhibition of united,

is from south of Mason and Dixon's than the professional Northerner and These fellows, who are always getting up at banquets and spouting about dear old Pennsylvania or Ar- of the Wilderness Campaign contains kansas or Carolina, make me tired. How the following in regard to the consoli-The way that Pennsylvanians railied to the defense of the Flag was a glorious should a man show that he is proud of The reaction against these intemperate the United States Army and Navy being chapter in the history of that grand his Southern nativity? Chiefly by reand senseless mouthers is now setting refused admission to respectable places old Commonwealth. However, there himself by always asserting his birth in

to last. It was amazing the loyal peo- one vacancy of peculiar sadness. It They only did so to demonstrate the manly form, genial presence and resowhich should not be trenched upon nell, Past Junior Vice Commander-ineven in the time of such intense excite- Chief. Comrade O'Donnell was a man ment and stress. The spirit which dom- to whom everyone drew instinctively. inated the Patriot during wartimes has He was the best personification of the

"The law which prevents the pension- splendid soldier in the old 7th Ill., serving by the United States Government of ing thru until the end of the war, and ng by the United States Governs, unless took the deepest interest in his comwhose widows they are, before June 26, rades of the Grand Army of the Republic. He was a regular attendant at Ricketts and Newton? "Its purpose was to protect the Unit- his Post meetings, those of the Depart- hero. man who has married a veteran since nell was a successful business man, and rould not be entitled to a pension at In addition to the Grand Army of the increase the pension appropriations of sorrows and a requiem mass celebrat-nearly \$2,000,000 a year. ed. The remains were interred at Mount

#### GEN, THRUSTON INDORSES. All the veterans of the grand old

Army of the Cumberland remember Gates P. Thruston, the brilliant, gallant young staff officer, who had so large a pound in the gallant officer, who had so large a pound in the parties of the company of the garden of the company of the co "It is the duty of the Government to that army. Gen. Thruston writes from put me down for John McElroy for Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R."

The comrades who have read with pleasure Maj. John Dwyer's frequent contributions to The National Tribune him and his Fifth Corps that the left Union lines by night and got to Washwill be delighted to learn that he has flank of the Army of the Potomac was ington, and thru his Washington friends been reappointed Postmaster of Sandy Hill, N. Y., for the fourth time. Com-rade Dwyer, who is owner and editor of the Sandy Hill Herald is a veteran drove Longer rest Each and the bell rang, and a very elegantly of the Sandy Hill Herald, is a veteran drove Longstreet Back. of distinguished record, and his adminshall give the names and addresses of who have married their husbands from latration of the Post Office, as well as pure love and affection, and have done a great work in taking care of him and made him so popular with the people all commanded by the braye and affection, and have done his excellent paper, has by serving with the other two divisions, son found her to be extremely enter-taking the conduct of his excellent paper, has by serving with the other two divisions, son found her to be extremely enter-taking the conduct of his excellent paper, has by serving with the other two divisions, son found her to be extremely enter-taking the conduct of his excellent paper, has by serving with the other two divisions, son found her to be extremely enter-taking the conduct of his excellent paper, has by serving with the other two divisions. made him so popular with the people all commanded by the braye and ac-asked permission to accompany her complished Warren. The survivors of back to Washington, which was grant-

# DELIGHTED WITH ST. CLOUD.

ly Benefited.

Editor National Tribune: My wife It is now 20 years since the limita- and I just received our corrected deeds, query is: Why the uniform and its wearers should be treated with such contempt and insuit, and why the men are not entitled to occupy whatever seats they pay for? Such acts sayor ZALMON G. SIMMONS DEAD.

The comrades all over the country will hear with deep regret of the death of Zalmon G. Simmons, of Kenosha, of Zalmon G. Simmons, of Zalmon G action as will be fitting in the premises, and thanking you in advance for the same, I am, respectfully yours—Catherine M. Gallagher, Treasurer, Dewey Auxiliary, 3, United Spanish-American War Veterans, Washington, D. C."

It seems incredible that this thing should have occurred in the Capital of the Nation, and it has aroused, as it is a shame that the premises, and thanking you in advance for the same, I am, respectfully yours—Catherine M. Gallagher, Treasurer, Dewey Auxiliary, 3, United Spanish-American War Veterans, Washington, D. C."

It seems incredible that this thing should have occurred in the Capital of the Nation, and it has aroused, as it the allowance given to women who have married their husbands a few months or a few years before they did.

It is not that the Patriot is animated

tinuous confinement to my bed. In the with the 100th Ohio regiment on the skirmish line, made a charge and cape only five weeks, and have not been laid up one minute thru the day. When I the Confederates had executed the with the 100th Ohio regiment on the skirmish line, made a charge and cape tured 375 prisoners and two cannon.

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Then they married the first the formal of the skirmish line, made a charge and cape tured 375 prisoners and two cannon.

Then they married the first the f drink tea and coffee and get real hun-gry. It's wonderful what the climate has done for me in the way of health. Have not been so well in 15 years. This s the grandest climate in the United I spent 16 months in California, but this climate and country is far be invoked to repair the outrage, do been signed by the President. The comjustice to the insulted men and uniform wittee of the G. A. P. and W. P. C.

Corps has now passed at the comand Winter. The Company seems to Stuart's Engineers, was organized at
treat all fairly; has been very generous Elmira Sept. 18, 1861, and after serving and properly punish the proprietor of the g. A. R. and W. R. C. with me and others who have come unwhich has had the matter in charge, is der my notice and knowledge. This is
the place of amusement. It seems that
now considering the technicalities of the place for all aged comrades. Would Col. Charles B. Stuart, who resigned not take \$1,000 and go back to the June 3, 1863, succeeded by Col. Wm. H. North and be compelled to remain Pettes, in command at the time of final there. Long may The National Tribune live

-S. T. Grove, St. Cloud, Fla. THERE TO STAY.

### A Comrade Who Is Fully Satisfied With St. Cloud. Editor National Tribune: It gives me

National Convention's action. The park a well of good water, set out four cab- three companies and retained in service National Convention's action. The park is now virtually under the control of the War Department and its protection assured.

A well of good water, set out to the companies and retained in service till July 6, 1865. It was commanded by Col. Augustus Moor, who was mustered out July 23, 1864, succeeded by capt. Edwin Frey, in command at the PROFESSIONAL SOUTHERNERS.

The people of New York, as well as

the people of New York, as well as some other cities, are beginning to get decided success and a most delightful very tired of the professional Southern Winter resort, and from the nature of men and women, who put on a great its people and owners of the land and many airs of superiority and claim extraordinary things for themselves and the section from which they came. Distinct the section from which they came. Distinct the future. I arrived here Nov. 2. Mr. McElroy in one of his writings comtrict Attorney Wise, of New York, a 1999, and 79 years eld Sept. 10, 1999, pares the "shrill rebel yell" with the Virginian, has given a well-deserved de- I desire to spend the balance of my "hoarse cheer" of the men from the nunciation of this class, and he is reindered days here at St. Cloud. I have no pannor North. I believe there is a difference nunciation of this class, and he is reindered days here at St. Cloud. I have no pannor the state of the pannor believe there is an old sold of this class, and he is reindered days here at St. Cloud. I have no pannor the state of t forced by Robert Adamson, Private congratulate you on your assured elec- dier, and he claims there is no differ-As usual, there is a rush to Congress to have some law passed which will prohibit this insult to the uniform. It the New York papers:

Secretary to Mayor Gaynor, a Georgian tion as National Commander of the G. ence in the yells; that when the rebels by birth and education, who writes for the New York papers:

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# The 125th Ill.

Editor National Tribune: Please give a little statement of our regiment, the 25th Ill.—Peter O. Gool, R. R. 1, Dan-

The 125th Ill. was organized at Dan-ville Sept. 3, 1862. Those whose terms would have expired Oct. 1, 1865, were tional Tribune, and thinks it the best Wherever the starry banner The 125th Ill. was organized at Dan-60th Ill. Oscar F. Harmon, who was killed in the 14th Wis. It was organized by In letters of flame, each one, action at Kenesaw Mountain June 27, Gov. Randall in October, 1861, and or- And among them the name of Lincols muster-out. It belonged to Davis's Dition at Pittsburg Landing. Comrade tion at Pittsburg Landing. Comrade killed and 107 from disease, etc.—Ed-Tyler indorses John McElroy for Com-

# THE FIFTH CORPS.

But he is no more a pest now It Had Quite as Much Reason for Pride

Editor National Tribune: The first chapter of Comrade McElroy's history dation of the First Corps into two divisions and ma The First Corps, which had made

form. The only mitigation of this indignation has been the thought that
this occurred at places in the great seasoled by permission to continue to wear basket with all kinds of knick-knacks ple of Pennsylvania allowed it to exist. will be the missing of the powerful, it while serving in the same corps with such as soldiers purchased. those whose caps and breasts bore the him she had valuable information, and Maltese cross. The First Corps men that he must drop the flaps of his tent felt they had much more reason to be so no one else could hear. proud of their history and of Reynolds He did as requested, and when she than the Fifth Corps had in any history they had made up to that time. plump white hands and remarked: Hooker, Reynolds, the Second Manas- You have pretty hands for one of sas, Antietam, Fredericksburg and Sem-inary Ridge were thrilling memories. "Yes," she said: "I reckon they looks existed ever since, and we see a recru- American gentleman, warm-hearted, ge- inary Ridge were thrilling memories. which they considered were imperfectly good; descence in an editorial recently on the did subject of widows' pensions, which says:

full of the courage of them. He was a subject of widows' pensions, which says:

full of the courage of them. He was a and Groveton, the reserve at Antietam her eyes, and thought he had never and the left flank at Gettysburg."

names like Meade, Reynolds, McDowell, while she looked into his. King, Hartsuff, Ord. Seymour, Gibbon. Every one a hillsides of Fredericksburg, in the Wil- you-uns." ground of historic Gettysburg."

While I freely concede say there was no dishonor in serving and as part of the Fifth Corps under Gen. Lee-"It is proposed now to repeal this Republic he belonged to the Knights of Warren. The Fifth Corps fought thru campaign on the Peninsula under McClellan, in addition to fighting in all the battles in which the First Corps was One division of the Fifth peared completely. engaged. Corps, the Third, or Pennsylvania Re-Serves, was originally a part of the First pers.

Corps, and served therein until the Col. Simpson was disgraced, and respect to the exception of signed his position in consequence. About two weeks later, while at his home in Richmond, he heard that Gen. Groveton, South Mountain, Antietam was a sweet singer. That night Gen. and Fredericksburg as part of the First Lee was robbed of valuable papers by

nany others. Third Division of the Fifth Corps also had the honor of serving under Reysat on his lap, sang for him pretty nolds, Meace, Ord, Seymour, McDowell songs and kissed him and Hooker, the first four of whom When Col Simpson came from this division.

the Fifth Corps at Getty'sburg, I have grace, and took it upon himself to catch always understood that it was due to the imp. In disguise he entered the not turned by Longstreet when he rout- was introduced into society ed the Third Corps in front of Little

The Third Division of the Fifth Corps introduced to her. this division felt honored by the pres-ence of the remnant of their old First say that any body of troops "had more reason to be proud of their history and in any history they had made up to that time."—Geo. M. Pardoe, Private. Co. C. W. 12th Pa. Reserves, Sloux City, Iowa.

At Fort Fisher. the Confederates had evacuated the town. Gen. Reilly's Brigade were the first troops to cross over the river into Wilmington, with the 104th Ohio in advance. In a few days the Union pris-oners were paroled and returned to Wilmington, and they were a sight to behold.

# The 50th N. Y. Eng.

Editor National Tribune: I would like to have you give a short history of the 50th N. Y. Eng.-George K. Penny. Daleville, Pa.

The 50th N. Y. Eng., also called Stuart's Engineers, was organized at was killed at Fredericksburg Dec. 11, and prosper, and hurrah for John Mc-Elroy for National Commander in 1911. The regiment lost 20 killed and 207 from disease, etc.-Editor National

# The 28th Ohio. Editor National Tribune: Kindly print

a short history of the 28th Ohio, its losses, etc.—Thomas Van Etten, Sauk Rapids, Minn. The 28th Ohio was organized at Camp

et been to look at my three five-acre time of muster-out of the battalion. tracts. I believe they are all right. I It belonged to Kanawha Division, Ninth

> Union Cheer and Rebel Yell. Editor National Tribune: I have al-

White, 584 East Ash street, Portland, Ore.

What do our readers think?-Editor National Tribune.

83 Years Young. James M. Tyler, 14th Wis., Valders It was commanded by Col. two descriptions of the organization of Then write the names of your heroes Harmon, who was killed in the 14th Wis. It was organized by In letters of flame, each one, 1864, succeeded by Lieut.-Col. James W. dered into camp at Fon du Lac, where Langley, in command at the time of it remained until March 8, 1862, when

## LINCOLN'S PRIVATE SPY.

Impersonating an Old Lady, a Boy and a Bewitching Damsel With Good Re-

Editor National Tribune: In The Naional Tribune of Jan. 18, 1910, was sublished a sketch of Little Justin published a sketch of "Little Justin Hulburd" by me, as told by Gen. Scott. as and making them a part of the The sketch that follows shows him impersonating other characters. At San Francisco I one day met a Col. such a magnificent fight at Gettysburg son, of the Confederate army, who told to its sad diminution of numbers, was me this story:

He did as requested, and when she

good; never knowed anything but a scedle befor the war." He looked into seen such beautiful eyes in an old w And also the following:

"What corps can boast of a list of and he seemed to become powerless

"Here, Colonel," she said, reaching to her pocket. "I'se got something Our comrades sleep upon the good. I only keeps it for the likes of derness, at Chancellorsville, upon the gave him a drink of brandy. The Col-plains of Manassas, the ragged slopes onel didn't remember much after that, of Slaughter and South Mountains, by except that she sang to him beautiful 'She pulled out a flash the sluggish Antietam, and the blood of laffabys, but when he awoke some hours 5,900 of our brave boys colored the later he was minus some valuable pathat were in his inside coat pocket, while I freely concede all that is and the old lady was gone. The papers said in favor of the First Corps, I must had been given to him for safekceping, and he was to convey them to Gen

When he found he had been robbed te gave the alarm, and detachments were sent out in all directions to find old woman, but she had disap He knew then that she was a spy, and that she had the pa-

ought in the battles of Bull Run. Lee had been fascinated by a boy who After that it was attached to the same boy, who escaped in the darksinging was beautiful. In addition to what is said above, the him the most loving and innocent crea-

When Col. Simpson heard of this he immediately connected the boy As to Gen. Sykes, who commanded the old woman who had caused his dis-

dressed young lady entered, and he was She was Miss Lunever felt that they were dishonored cille Strong, from Illinois. Col. Simp-by serving with the other two divisions, son found her to be extremely entered.

She kissed all the ladies good-by, Corps, but they will allow no man to and, turning to him, said: "Now, Mr. Holland (that was the name he went under). I will accept you as an escort of Reynolds than the Fifth Corps had back to Washington with much pleas-

When they arrived in Washington a very fashionably attired young man ap-proached them, and Miss Strong stopped to speak to him. While the Wm. K. Copeland, 109th ill., Water- were talking another gentleman friend

fascinated Gen. Lee .- E. W. Hulburd,

At Fort Caswell.

W. W. Church, 65th Ill., St. Helena, Cal, says that it was Casement's Brigade which crossed over from Fort Fisher to Smithville, near the mouth of Cape Fear River, on the south side, and captured Fort Caswell. To do this the brigade got in the rear of the Confederates at Fort Anderson

#### Abraham Lincoln (By Hattle Ferris Winter, Burlington,

Iowa.) Down in the sunny Southland On a February morn, Far from the din of cities,

A king of the earth was born,

Twas in no stately mansion, No kingly hall or fair, 'Mid scenes of gilded splendor And hangings rich and rare.

But in a lowly cabin Of logs from the wildwood near, The first faint wail of a hero Fell on his mother's ear.

But the world moved on unheeding; No trumpet proclaimed his birth. And no one knew that a leader Had that day come to earth.

A leader? Aye, more than a leader; He stands in his strength so grand, for the weal or woe of a Nation He holds in his strong right hand.

and all the burden of sorrow, Of all the years that roll Over a slave-cursed country Seems resting on his soul.

For see, in his eyes, so tender, An infinite sadness lies, As he hears from the land that bore

The pitiful moans and cries That rise from the hearts of bondmen

All over that sun-kissed land. And his heart nigh breaks with the burden. Till he stretches forth his hand

With all of his heart behind it. And with one quick stroke of his pen. He has broken the shackles forever From the limbs of a million men.

Then, as a king they crowned him With the love of a people free,

Will shine as the noonday sun.

As long as stories of valor Are uttered by tongue or pen, As long as the love of freedom Lives in the hearts of men.